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In the Sixtieth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign
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Canada,
North-West Territories. } Charles Herbert Mackintosh.
Lieutenant-Governor.

(L.S.)

VICTORIA, *by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

PROCLAMATION.

To Our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our North-West Territories and to each and every of you—GREETING :

WHEREAS it is expedient for divers causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our said Territories, We do will that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on **TUESDAY** the **TWENTY-NINTH** day of the month of **SEPTEMBER** next, at **OUR TOWN** of **REGINA**, personally be and appear for the **DESPATCH OF BUSINESS** in Our Legislative Assembly, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Territories and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused the Seal of the North-West Territories to be hereunto affixed :
WITNESS, His Honour CHARLES HERBERT MACKINTOSH, LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our North-West Territories.

At Our Government House, in Our Town of *Regina*, in Our said Territories, this **TWENTY-NINTH** day of **AUGUST**, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

R. B. GORDON,

Secretary.

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NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

SECOND SESSION—THIRD LEGISLATURE.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the First day of the Second Session of the Third Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories, for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour CHARLES HERBERT MACKINTOSH, Lieutenant-Governor of the said Territories, dated the 29th day of August, 1896, and the House having met, His Honour entered the House and having taken his seat upon the Throne opened the Session with the following speech:—

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is gratifying to open the Second Session of the Third Legislative Assembly, under circumstances auspicious alike to the Canadian North-West and the Dominion in general. Peace, contentment and prosperity characterize all sections of the country, bearing testimony to the patriotism of the people and the advancement of the material interests of the commonwealth.

Reports concerning crops and cattle received from various agricultural centres up the 26th instant, are of a satisfactory nature. The wheat crop in the Calgary district is above

the average, but, owing to the failure of crops in past years, the wheat acreage is from 40 to 50 per cent. less than usual. The root crop is reported noticeably fine, with a large surplus for shipment, and the cattle and dairying industries very favourable. In the Lethbridge district, the crops sustained damage, consequent upon a heavy snow storm. About 1,700 cattle and 142 horses have already been shipped from Lethbridge since June, and about 3,000 head remain to be sent forward. This will show a small decrease from 1895, in consequence of the herds being short. About 457 yearling steers are being brought from Ontario to mature on western grasses, and about 300 from Manitoba. In the Alameda district, grain crops are reported very satisfactory; wheat averaging about 20 bushels to the acre, and oats from 40 to 50. The root crop is the best for many years, and is considered the best paying the district has ever had; 10 carloads of cattle were shipped from Alameda. In the Duck Lake district, grain and root crops are excellent, both as to quantity and quality, there having been no damage by frost. Cattle are in excellent condition. The Moosomin district will yield from 750,000 to 800,000 bushels of wheat, averaging about 18 bushels to the acre. It is anticipated that 30,000 dollars' worth of cattle will be shipped from Moosomin station this year, and farmers are generally satisfied with the season's operations. The Whitewood district will yield about 20 bushels of wheat to the acre, a portion of the crop being slightly frosted. The value of cattle to be shipped is estimated at from \$30,000 to \$40,000. In Prince Albert district, wheat will yield an average crop of superior quality. By the end of this month, it is expected that 50 carloads of cattle will have been shipped east. The Innisfail district is fairly progressive, the principal interests being beef, butter and cheese. Beeves reported fairly numerous and in excellent order. Upwards of 2,000 head of cattle will be shipped this season,—the largest ever exported. Want of working capital, cost of haulage, and insufficient number of cows have retarded the dairy industries. There have been slight frosts, but the grain crop on the whole is reported good. In St. Albert district, wheat is reported first class, oats and barley fair, vegetables over the average. In the district of Fort Saskatchewan, wheat, oat and barley crops are larger than usual, and demand for cattle greater

than the supply. The opening by the Territorial authorities of a highway east from Fort Saskatchewan for 24 miles, has proved a boon to settlers, while the Statute Labour districts are doing good work. Added to this, a new process roller mill has greatly benefitted the surrounding country. In the Wolseley district, wheat on summer fallow and breaking is reported good; on stubble light; oats and barley generally good; the vegetable crop never better; little damage by frost. The number of cattle shipped, it is expected, will increase this year. In the Fort Qu'Appelle district, the wheat crop throughout is reported to be, without exception, the most favourable in its history. The yield is from 20 to 30 bushels, and on summer fallow about 40 bushels per acre; practically, no damage by frost. Other crops are apparently quite satisfactory. A foot disease is reported as having kept some of the cattle in poor condition. In the Qu'Appelle district, the wheat crop acreage is about 20 per cent. larger than last year, and the average yield for the whole district will be about 20 bushels per acre of wheat, 30 of oats, and 30 of barley; the yield of wheat will be about 17,000 bushels, grading very high. A slight frost occurring on the night of the 9th did some injury to the wheat, but ninety per cent. having been cut, was out of danger. Stock and dairy cattle are in good condition. About 1,000 head of cattle have been shipped from Qu'Appelle Station this year. The creamery at Qu'Appelle Station has been in successful operation this season, and manufactured about 30,000 lbs. of butter, which found ready sale in British Columbia markets. In the Saltoats district, as in Yorkton, the wheat crops are reported excellent, though somewhat short as compared with last year; in cattle a manifest improvement is reported. In the district of Banff, the cattle, horse and sheep industries have proved satisfactory, the hay crop abundant, and the coal output at Anthracite and Canmore steadily increasing. The Crescent Creamery has given an impetus to Separating Stations, whence the cream is sent to Calgary. Reports from Edmonton are very encouraging throughout the district, both as to wheat, cattle and vegetable crops. From Macleod district, the ranching interests are reported extremely prosperous, and in the Moose Jaw and Maple Creek districts, cattle raising shows a noticeable increase. With reference to horse ranching, the general con-

sensus of Western opinion is, that the Imperial Government should be urged to establish a remount or Military Horse Depot at Calgary. Reports from West Calgary, including the Rosebud district, state the crops to be considerably above the average of the last few years, crediting irrigation with the improvement. Fat cattle are in great demand at remunerative figures. From the Battleford district, there will be an increase in cattle export as compared with last year; prices have been good, and purchasing competition keen, farmers and ranchers receiving full values for their stock. In both North and South Regina, the wheat crop, while not phenomenally large, grades very satisfactorily, while cattle herds are in prime condition. Altogether the agricultural and stock-raising interests throughout the North-West, are eminently satisfactory, and although the cereal crops are not as large as in some years, other branches of farming industry have permanently improved.

Discussion of the subject of diversified farming, has, within two or three years, proved exceedingly advantageous, and in every district throughout the Territories agricultural communities seem anxious to enlarge the scope of operations; one factor necessary to ensure continuous progress will doubtless soon be supplied—namely, the creation and maintenance of a home or local market, as well as connection with foreign business centres.

The fact that thirty Cheese and Dairy Associations have been registered, increased energy being observable in the direction of producing commodities for which there is an immediate local demand, must be a source of satisfaction to those desirous of promoting the welfare of the Territories.

The announcement recently made by the Minister of Agriculture, that the Government is alive to the importance of encouraging the cattle trade of the Dominion, and may consider the advisability of encouraging it by promoting cold storage depots throughout the Dominion, should afford gratification to those who appreciate the importance of such a policy, wisely administered.

Visits made to the North-West by Professor Robertson, Dominion Agriculturist and Dairy Commissioner, have given an impetus to the more complicated branches of sci-

tific farming. As a result of his efforts, a large number of creameries have been established in Manitoba, and more recently in the Territories, noticeably at Moose Jaw, Indian Head, Prince Albert and Regina. That at Moose Jaw, has afforded an opportunity of thoroughly testing and ascertaining results, having been in operation from the middle of May until the latter part of November, 1895, and since then. The total quantity of butter made between the months specified, from milk and cream supplied by sixty customers, was in the vicinity of 70,000 lbs., and the value at Moose Jaw railway station was \$19.31 per 100 lbs.—most of it being shipped to Manchester, England. The rate of transport from Moose Jaw to Montreal is \$1.28 per 100 lbs., with a rebate of 12½c. per 100 if, and when, the butter is shipped from Montreal. It must be remembered, however, that a creamery can only be managed successfully by men who have had a technical training, sufficient for the requirements of the business.

✓ A general enactment, dealing with the question of Irrigation, passed the Dominion Parliament in 1894, and has proved extremely beneficial to various portions of Alberta and parts of Western Assiniboia. Up to last year, 1895, the irrigating capacity of the ditches was 28,000 acres. Up to the present time, the increase of area under irrigation, and results from the application of water to growing crops, have been most satisfactory. The number of ditches and canals constructed and in operation are 115, representing a length of 230 miles, and an irrigable acreage of 79,300. Added to this, there are 47 ditches and canals surveyed and irrigation authorised, representing a length of 263 miles, and an irrigable area of 334,250 acres. The estimated cost of ditches and canals constructed and in operation was \$110,000, and the estimated cost of ditches and canals surveyed and construction authorised is \$840,000, which includes the St. Mary's and Bow River Canals. The irrigation development in the arid portion of the Territories, is divided as follows ✓ among the different districts:—

| | Ditches and canals constructed. | Surveyed and construc- tion authorised. |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Calgary District..... | 59 | 21 |
| High River District..... | 7 | 3 |
| Macleod District | 8 | 4 |
| Pincher Creek District ... | 11 | 2 |
| Lethbridge District..... | 9 | 10 |
| Maple Creek District ... | 15 | 7 |
| Battleford District | 6 | .. |

Mr. J. S. Dennis, of the Survey and Irrigation Department, reports that practically in all the districts, the effort to grow crops or to obtain hay under ordinary conditions, after much experience, owing to insufficient rainfall, has been abandoned, and it is recognised that only by the aid of this process can a sure and certain grain, fodder or root crop be obtained. After four years, including the very unfavourable season of 1895, it was found that irrigation areas now compared favourably with crops raised anywhere in the Dominion. ✓

The progress of educational institutions in the Territories must be considered very satisfactory. On the 29th August, 1895, there had been proclaimed 384 Public Schools, 36 Roman Catholic Public Schools, 10 Roman Catholic Separate Schools, and 2 Protestant Separate Schools, in all 432 School Districts. During the 13 months that have since elapsed, 50 Public Schools, 2 Roman Catholic Public Schools and 1 Protestant Separate School have been erected, making a total of 485 schools, and the estimated number of pupils in attendance was 10,710.

As the School debenture debt represents taxes voluntarily incurred, the following statement may be of interest. Since August, 1895, debentures have been issued and registered to the amount of \$40,225. In addition, sanction has been given to 12 School Districts to issue debentures amounting to \$4,150. The total amount of School debentures issued since 3rd June, 1886, is \$233,500. The maturity of these debentures has practically very recently begun. Up to August 31st, 1896, \$9,245 have been written off, \$3,250 falling due this month, and each succeeding month will see a larger number of School debentures arriving at maturity. The amount absorbed by the payment of

annual coupons, represents about $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the indebtedness, maturing during various periods up to A.D. 1916.

The total number of insane patients from the Territories confined in the Selkirk and Brandon asylums, Manitoba, at the present month is 74. Warrants were issued in 1894 for 33; in 1895 for 21; and in 1896 for 32. The present arrangement between the Dominion and Manitoba Governments, for the maintenance of the insane of the Territories, will expire in January, 1898.

The attention of the Assembly is again called to the necessity for providing for the deaf mutes of the North-West Territories. Two years ago, an amount was placed in the Dominion estimates for such service, and an effort made to come to an agreement with the Manitoba Government. A misunderstanding having arisen with reference to the length of time of the proposed contract, delays have occurred, and it is to be hoped that some remedy may soon be supplied, as indifference to the interests of these deaf mutes is far from creditable. There are fully 30 of these unfortunates in the Territories.

On former occasions, the attention of this Assembly was called to the existing system of expenditure of funds for roads and bridges in each electoral district, and suggestions made as to the necessity for reforms in this particular. Grave irregularities have since arisen in various cases, and it is no doubt time for action to be taken in the premises.

Prairie fires, though still extensive, have not, apparently, been so serious in results as during 1895, although the luxuriant growth of hay and grass may yet prove disastrous in many districts. The Mounted Police Force has rendered very great services in reducing such damages to a minimum, and the report received from Commissioner Herchmer, which will be found amongst the returns, furnishes interesting information with reference to the prairie fires and the localities in which they have taken place. A machine for extinguishing these fires is now being tested, and promises to be an improvement upon methods hitherto adopted.

By a Dominion proclamation, October 28th, 1895, the unorganised and unnamed Territories were divided into provisional districts for postal and other purposes, and four

such districts were established: (1) Ungava, bounded on the north by Hudson Strait; (2) the district of Franklin, beginning at Cape Best, with a southerly boundary through Robeson's Channel, Kennedy Channel, Smith's Sound, Baffin Bay and Davis Strait; (3) the district of Yukon, to include the region marked off by the northern boundary of British Columbia, the eastern boundary of Alaska, the Arctic Ocean, and a line drawn from the westerly mouth of the Mackenzie River due south, parallel to the Mackenzie River, to a range of mountains, striking them at their intersection with the 136th meridian; thence south along the range to the Liard River at the British Columbia boundary; (4) the district of Mackenzie, including the territories south of the Arctic Ocean and north of British Columbia and Athabasca, as extended to the 110th meridian, along which, to the southern line of Franklin, constitutes the eastern boundary. To the district of Athabasca is added the region north of Saskatchewan to the 100th meridian; thence north, along the 100th meridian, to the southern boundary of Mackenzie. The district of Mackenzie has an area approximately of 538,000 square miles; the district of Yukon an approximate area of 225,000 square miles; and the district of Athabasca, as extended, an area of 265,000 square miles.

This Assembly will no doubt be pleased to learn that there is every probability of what is known as the Crow's Nest Railway route becoming an active factor in North-West progress, within the near future. A recent visit to portions of the country through which it will pass, has convinced me that Edmonton and Southern Alberta will, when this road is built, find ready markets in British Columbia for many of the ranche and farm products now too often sold at a sacrifice. Another enterprise, which, it is hoped, will soon take practical form, is the extension of the Manitoba and North-Western Railroad to Prince Albert.

The coal oil tests at Athabasca Landing have not been as satisfactory as was anticipated, although beyond doubt petroleum exists in various parts of the district. In an interview held with Mr. W. A. Fraser, who has charge at Athabasca Landing, he expressed a desire to still further prosecute the work where there is less shale to be encountered, and no doubt other borings will be authorised.

It has been deemed advisable to submit to the Justices of the Supreme Court of the Territories the lists for a new Magisterial Commission, and to invite suggestions from them upon those to be re-appointed. A magisterial hand book has been carefully prepared, a copy of which will be found among the returns submitted to this Assembly.

The Assembly will, no doubt, be called upon to consider the advisability of consolidating the Territorial Ordinances. They have already become voluminous, and require careful classification.

Statute Labour and Fire Districts under the Ordinance, have increased from 16 in 1894, to 54 in 1896.

A vacancy in the Assembly having been caused by the resignation of the sitting member on the 23rd of May last, a writ was issued and an election held on the 4th of August last.

The Saltecats Cottage Hospital was opened by me, on Wednesday, the 23rd of September instant. This institution will undoubtedly prove of great service in alleviating the suffering of the afflicted, and reflects the highest credit upon those who promoted its establishment and contributed towards the fund for its erection.

For your convenience, I have authorised the following documents to be placed upon the table of this House:—

(1) Copy of correspondence in connection with reservation of the School Ordinance.

(2) Copy of returns from Commissioner Herchmer as to prairie fires.

(3) Copy of Magistrates' Manual proposed for use of new Commission.

(4) Cheese and Dairy Associations of the North-West Territories.

(5) Copy of lunatic returns for the years 1894, 1895, 1896.

(6) Copy of last census *re* population of the North-West Territories.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The loyal people of the Canadian North-West Territories will rejoice that Providence has vouchsafed so long a reign

to Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and that the epoch made historic by her sovereignty, has also been prolific of many scientific achievements.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I commit to you, all matters appertaining to legislation for the Territories, satisfied that you will pay due regard to measures requiring attention. My earnest prayer is, that your deliberations may receive the abundant blessings of the Almighty.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that during the recess he had received the following notification of vacancy in the representation of the Electoral District of Edmonton, and that he had forthwith transmitted the same to the Lieutenant-Governor :

To the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories, Regina.

I, *Frank Oliver*, Member of the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories for the Electoral District of *Edmonton*, hereby tender my resignation as such Member.

As witness my hand at *Cardston* in the said Territories this 23rd day of May, A.D., 1896.

Witnesses,

FRANK OLIVER.

W. A. Galliher,
George Bennett.

Mr. Speaker further informed the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor had caused a writ to be issued by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, addressed to *Walter Scott Robertson*, Esquire, of *Edmonton*, Returning Officer, for the Election of a Member to serve in this present Legislature for the Electoral District of *Edmonton* ; and that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly had received from the said Returning Officer the following Certificate :—

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Electoral District of Edmonton, N.W.T.

I hereby declare that *Matthew McCauley*, Esquire, has

been elected Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of *Edmonton* in the *North-West Territories of Canada*.

W. S. ROBERTSON,

Returning Officer.

Dated at *Edmonton*, this 6th day of August, 1896.

Matthew McCauley, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Edmonton*, having previously taken the oath, then took his seat, being introduced by Messrs. *Haultain* and *Maloney*.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that in order to prevent mistakes he had obtained a copy of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which was laid on the table.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That a Select Committee, composed of Messieurs *Brett*, *Reid*, *Brown*, *Insinger*, the Mover and Seconder, be appointed to prepare and report a draft of an Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes: 1, Standing Orders and Library; 2, Public Accounts; 3, Printing; 4, Agriculture; 5, Municipal Law; 6, Law Amendments; 7, Education; Which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them and shall report from time to time their operations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That a Special Committee consisting of Messieurs *Dill*, *Tims*, *Mowat*, *Mitchell*, *Knowling*, the Mover and Seconder, be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed a list of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Committee, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, laid on the table :

Correspondence and Despatches regarding Bill of last Session intituled "An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools." (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

Copy of Magisterial Hand Book for use of Justices of the Peace. (*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Return made by Commissioner *Herchmer* in reference to Prairie Fires for the years 1895 and 1896. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

Census return respecting the population of the *North-West Territories* for the year 1894. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Return of Insane patients from the *North-West Territories* for the years 1894, 1895 and 1896. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

Return of Cheese and Dairy Associations of the *North-West Territories*. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

And then the House adjourned at 3.45 o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The following Petition was presented :

By Mr. *Sutherland*,—From the Municipal Council of the

Municipality of Qu'Appelle praying for legislation disorganizing the Municipality.

And then the House adjourned at 3 o'clock p.m.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Haultain*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, presented the following Report:

The Committee recommends that separate Committees be appointed for Standing Orders and Library;

The Committee further recommends the following lists:

STANDING ORDERS.—Messieurs *Knowling*, *Sutherland*, *Gillis*, *Haultain*, *Lineham*, *Meyers*, *Clinkskill* and *Boucher*.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Messieurs *Insinger*, *Neff*, *Eakin*, *Bulyea*, *Brown*, *Ross*, *Fearon*, *Brett*, *McCauley*, *Tims*, *Clinkskill*, *Mitchell* and *Reid*.

PRINTING.—Messieurs *Sutherland*, *Page*, *Magrath*, *Mowat*, *Ross*, *Simpson*, *Meyers*, *Gillis* and *Brett*.

AGRICULTURE.—Messieurs *Dill*, *Eakin*, *Insinger*, *Gillis*, *Knowling*, *Page*, *Bannerman*, *Critchley*, *Lineham*, *Tims*, *Maloney*, *Mitchell*, *Boucher*, *Meyers* and *Reid*.

MUNICIPAL LAW.—Messieurs *Mowat*, *Dill*, *Bulyea*, *Ross*, *Bannerman*, *Critchley*, *Simpson*, *Reid* and *Gillis*.

LAW AMENDMENTS.—Messieurs *Brown*, *Fearon*, *Clinkskill*, *Neff*, *Tims*, *Eakin*, *Knowling*, *Magrath*, *Bannerman* and *Critchley*.

EDUCATION.—Messieurs *Brown*, *Insinger*, *Mowat*, *Page*, *Lineham*, *Simpson*, *Maloney*, *Boucher*, *Dill*, *Haultain* and *McCauley*.

LIBRARY.—Mr. Speaker, Messieurs *Magrath, Brett, Bulyea, Fearon, Maloney, Sutherland* and *McCauley*.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill respecting Factors and Agents.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill respecting Sale of Goods.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 9 of 1895 intituled "An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting the Legal Profession."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to further amend "The Marriage Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, to be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools,

Mr. *Haultain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Ross*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill (No. 1) be now read a second time;

Mr. *Boucher* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Maloney*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out and the following words be inserted in lieu thereof: "the provisions of this Bill with regard to the Council of Public Instruction, the appointment of Inspectors, the inspection of Schools and the examination and certification of Teachers are contrary to the spirit of Section 14 of The *North-West Territories Act*, and infringe on the rights of the Roman Catholic minority conferred thereby."

And the Question being put upon the amendment, the House divided and the names, being called for, were taken down as follows:

YEAS:—Messieurs BOUCHER,
MALONEY.—2.

NAYS:—Messieurs MITCHELL,
NEFF,
HAULTAIN,
ROSS,
INSINGER,
PAGE,
BROWN,
MOWAT,
TIMS,
KNOWLING,
MAGRATH,
SIMPSON,
BANNERMAN,
BRETT,
McCAULEY,
SUTHERLAND,
CRITCHLEY,
GILLIS,
DILL,
EAKIN,
REID,
MEYERS.—22.

So it passed in the negative.

Then the main Question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 1) be now read the second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and
Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 4 o'clock p.m.

FRIDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Knowling*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Qu'Appelle praying for legislation disorganizing the Municipality, and recommend that the same be received.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

The said Petition was then received, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simpson* have leave to introduce a Bill intituled The Dairy Ordinance of the *North-West Territories*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Insinger*, seconded by Mr. *Page*,

Resolved, That an Order of this House do issue for a Return showing :

(1) The regulations adopted by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council regarding the issuing of licences to Veterinary Surgeons in the *North-West Territories*;

(2) The names and residences of the persons who have obtained such licences, with their qualifications.

Ordered, That Mr. McCauley have leave to introduce a Bill to amend The Hospitals Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 4) to amend the law respecting the Legal Profession,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 5) to further amend The Marriage Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Page reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 4.30 o'clock p.m.

MONDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The following Petition was presented :

By Mr. *Dill*,—Of *R. S. Lake* and others praying for legislation enabling that portion of Range 8 West of the Second Meridian now included in the Municipality of *Wolseley* to be withdrawn therefrom.

On motion of Mr. *Boucher*, seconded by Mr. *Maloney*,

The following Resolution was adopted:

Whereas in March, 1885, the Federal Government recognised the right of the Half-breeds of the *North-West* to Scrip :

And whereas such Scrip has, so far, been granted to the Half-breeds born before 1870 only ;

Therefore be it resolved, that this House is of opinion that all the Half-breeds born before 1885, the date of the settlement of Half-breed claims in the *Territories*, are entitled to Scrip and prays the Federal Government to issue the same immediately.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dill* have leave to introduce a Bill intituled The Dairy Aid District Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read the second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Committee, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, laid on the Table the Public Accounts of the *Territories* for the financial year ending 31st August, 1895, as well as a Statement of the Appropriations and Special Orders in Council

since the last meeting of the Legislative Assembly, and of the expenditure under same. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Committee, laid on the Table :

Return to an Order of the House, dated 2nd October, 1896, for a return shewing :

(1) The regulations adopted by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council regarding the issuing of licences to Veterinary Surgeons in the *North-West Territories* ;

(2) The names and residences of the persons who have obtained such licences, with their qualifications. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 7) to amend The Hospitals Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 4) to amend the law respecting the Legal Profession and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 5) to further amend The Marriage Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and

consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Knowling*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *R S. Lake* and others praying for legislation enabling that portion of Range 8 West of the Second Meridian now included in the Municipality of *Wolseley* to be withdrawn therefrom, and recommend that the Petition be received.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

The said Petition was then received, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

On motion of Mr. *Gillis*, seconded by Mr. *Dill*,

Ordered, That an Order of this House do issue for a Return showing :

(1) The number of Statute Labour and Fire Districts organized during the past year ;

(2) The Electoral Districts in which such Districts were created.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 2) respecting Factors and Agents,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 7) to amend The Hospitals Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The following Petition was presented :

By Mr. *Bulyea*,—Of *William Harrop* and others praying for legislation on the subject of Noxious Weeds.

On motion of Mr. *Bulyea*, seconded by Mr. *Gillis*,

Ordered, That Rule 49 of the House, which limits the number of Select Committees, be suspended, and that a Special Committee consisting of Messieurs *Ross, Brown, Mowat, Knowling, Gillis, Reid, Dill, Simpson* and the Mover be appointed to consider the best means to be adopted to secure the destruction and extermination of Noxious Weeds.

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Committee, laid on the Table :

Return to an Order of the House, dated 6th October, 1896, for a Return shewing :

(1) The number of Statute Labour and Fire Districts organized during the past year ;

(2) The Electoral Districts in which such Districts were created. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 3) respecting Sale of Goods,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 8) entitled The Dairy Aid District Ordinance,

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged and the Bill read a second time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 2) respecting Factors and Agents and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into

Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.10 o'clock p.m.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Knowling*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *William Harrop* and others praying for legislation on the subject of Noxious Weeds and recommends that the Petition be received.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

The said Petition was then received, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Special Committee appointed to consider the best means to be adopted to secure the destruction and extermination of Noxious Weeds.

On motion of Mr. *Ross*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

Ordered, That Rule 49 of the House, which limits the number of Select Committees, be suspended, and that a Select Committee consisting of Messieurs *Insinger*, *Brett*, *Magrath*, *Tims*, *Knowling*, *Lineham*, *Clinkskill*, *Bulyea*, *Brown*, *Meyers*, *Neff*, *Haultain* and the Mover be appointed

for the purpose of drafting a Memorial to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council setting forth the financial and constitutional position of the Assembly, the amendments which should be made to The *North-West Territories Act* to secure fuller powers, and the basis upon which the subsidy should be determined.

On motion of Mr. *Magrath*, seconded by Mr. *Knowling*,

Ordered, That an Order of this House do issue for a Return shewing all papers and documents in connection with the case of *Robert Farrar*, who was fined at *Lethbridge* in 1895, for a breach of The *Prairie Fire Ordinance*.

On motion of Mr. *Brett*, seconded by Mr. *Magrath*,

Ordered, That Rule 49 of the House, which limits the number of Select Committees, be suspended, and that a Special Committee consisting of Messieurs *Haultain*, *Magrath*, *Bannerman*, *McCauley*, *Eakin* and the Mover be appointed to enquire into the grant given to Hospitals and to prepare a draft of a Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to Hospitals.

On motion of Mr. *Boucher*, seconded by Mr. *Maloney*,

Resolved, That an Humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause a copy of the Resolution, adopted by this House on the 5th instant, in reference to the granting of Scrip to Half-breeds, to be transmitted to the Honourable the Secretary of State for *Canada* for submission to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) respecting the Sale of Goods and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.

FRIDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Ordered, That Mr. *Knowling* have leave to introduce a Bill to further amend The *North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 6) intituled The Dairy Ordinance of the *North-West Territories*,

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged and the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) respecting Sale of Goods and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Commit-

tee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Committee, laid on the Table :

Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th October, for a Return showing:

All papers and documents in connection with the case of *Robert Farrar*, who was fined at *Lethbridge* in 1895 for a breach of the *Prairie Fire Ordinance*. (*Sessional Papers No. 10.*)

And then the House adjourned at 4.45 o'clock p.m.

MONDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 8) intituled The Dairy Aid District Ordinance,

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged and the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 9) to further amend The *North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The following Petitions were presented :

By Mr. *Bannerman*,—Of *H. S. McLeod* and others praying for reduction of the fees payable on issue of Liquor Licences.

By Mr. *Haultain*,—Of *F. W. Godsall* and others praying for incorporation of The Western Stock Growers' Association.

Mr. *Bulyea*, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *Qu'Appelle* praying that

this House may pass, at this Session, certain legislation disbanding said Municipality and forming the Territory comprised therein into ten Statute Labour and Fire Districts and, having considered the representation of *S. C. Elkington* and *W. Thompson*, a delegation appointed by the Council of the said Municipality, recommend that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

On motion of *Mr. Insinger*, seconded by *Mr. Page*,

Ordered, That an Order of this House do issue for a Return showing :

(1) The regulations adopted, by Order in Council, or otherwise, to divide the grant voted in aid of Statute Labour and Fire Districts and Municipalities,

(2) The names and localities of the Statute Labour and Fire Districts and Municipalities which have received aid from such grants, with the amounts paid to them, during the financial year ending September 1st, 1896.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 9) to further amend The *North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888* and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and *Mr. Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 9) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and *Mr. Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.15 o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Knowling*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :

Your Committee report that they have examined the Petitions of *H. S. McLeod* and others praying for a reduction of the fees payable on issue of Liquor Licenses, and of *F. W. Godsal* and others praying for incorporation of The Western Stock Growers' Association, and recommend that the Petitions be received.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

The said Petitions were then received.

Ordered, That the Petition of *H. S. McLeod* and others be referred to the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

Ordered, That Mr. *Insinger* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend The Village Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Haultain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Grants in aid of Schools in the *Territories*.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Committee, then acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Page* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read as follows:

Resolved, That it is expedient that the Legislative Grants in aid of Schools in the *Territories* be paid on the following basis on and after the first day of January, 1897:

(a) To each School having an average attendance of at least six pupils for the days during which it has been open in any term, a sum of \$1.40 for each day the school is open: Provided, that the total number of days in each year for which grants may become payable shall not exceed 210;

(b) For every pupil in average daily attendance an additional amount of \$1.50 per school year of 210 days;

(c) To each school where a teacher is employed who holds a first-class professional certificate, the sum of 20 cents for each day (not exceeding 210) in the year such teacher is actually engaged in teaching; and to each school where a teacher holding a second-class certificate is so employed, the sum of 10 cents for each day (not exceeding 210) in the year such teacher is actually engaged in teaching;

(d) To each school attaining a minimum grading upon the reports of its inspection, as prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction, on its efficiency in respect to buildings, equipment, government and progress, a sum not exceeding 15 cents nor less than 5 cents may be paid, according to such grading, for each day (not exceeding 210) on which the school has been kept open during the year;

(e) To any High School complying with the provisions of this Ordinance and the Regulations of the Council of Public Instruction, a special grant of \$75.00 per term.

Provided, that in case the sum of the grants to be paid in any term under sub-sections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall exceed 70 per centum of the salary actually earned by the teacher during that term, the amount of the grant under the aforementioned sub-sections shall be reduced to the amount of the said 70 per centum of salary paid;

Provided further, that payment may be made in respect of the amounts earned under sub-sections (a), (b), (c) and (e) of this section at the end of the terms closing on April 15, August 31, and December 31, on receipt of the return prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction and provided for in sub-section (1) of section 88 of this Ordinance; but the grant earned by any school under sub-section (d) shall be paid only with the last payment of the year;

Provided further, that in schools where more than one teacher is employed, each department shall rank as a school under the provisions of sub-sections (a) and (d) of this section, when the average attendance of the whole school shall at least equal 20 pupils to each teacher employed; but no board of trustees shall engage an assistant teacher (expecting Government aid on that account) without having given the Council of Public Instruction at least three months' notice of their intention to do so and having received its approval;

Provided further, that the amount or amounts shown in the treasurer's return, provided for in sub-section (1) of section 88 of this Ordinance, to be due to any teacher or teachers, shall be paid direct and proportionately to such teacher or teachers to the extent of the grant.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 9) to further amend The *North-West Territories* Medical Ordinance 1888,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to further amend The *North-West Territories* Medical Ordinance 1888.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) respecting sale

of Goods and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.15 o'clock p.m.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bill (No. 7) to amend The Hospitals Ordinance, as amended in the Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. *McCauley* moved, seconded by Mr. *Simpson*, That the amendments to the said Bill be now read a first time,

And the Question being proposed,

It was moved in amendment by Mr. *Breit*, seconded by Mr. *Fearon*,

That the said amendments be now read a first time

but that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House for further consideration.

And the Question being put upon the amendment, it passed in the affirmative.

Resolved, That the House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on the said Bill (No.7).

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.

FRIDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Knowling*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report:

Your Committee report, in reference to the Petition of *F. W. Godsall* and others praying for the Incorporation of The Western Stock Growers' Association, that the Rules of

the House regarding Private Bills have been complied with, and that they have examined the proposed incorporating Bill.

The Committee recommend that leave be given to introduce the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Mr. *Bulyea*, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *R. S. Lake* and others, residents of Range 8 within the Municipality of *Wolseley*, praying for legislation withdrawing Range 8 from the Municipality of *Wolseley*, and recommend that the prayer of the said Petitioners be granted.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Brown*, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report the Draft of an Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, reported that the Committee had drafted an Address as instructed.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and the Draft Address considered in Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brown* have leave to introduce a Bill intituled An Ordinance respecting the use of Tobacco by Minors.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sutherland* have leave to introduce a Bill intituled An Ordinance to enable the Municipality of *Qu'Appelle* to disorganise.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to further amend The Liquor Licence Ordinance 1891-92.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to exempt certain property from distress for rent.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Maloney* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 24 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance respecting Threshers' Liens.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. *Haultain* presented a Bill for the incorporation of The Western Stock Growers' Association and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Committee, laid on the Table:

Return to an Order of the House, dated 13th October, for a Return shewing:

(1) The regulations adopted by Order in Council or otherwise to divide the grant voted in aid of Statute Labour and Fire Districts and Municipalities ;

(2) The names and localities of the Statute Labour and Fire Districts and Municipalities which have received aid

from such grant, with the amounts paid to them during the financial year ending September 1st, 1896. (*Sessional Papers No. 11.*)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the consideration of the Draft Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the present Session, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had agreed to an Address.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Page* reported the Address accordingly, and the same was read as follows :

To His Honour, *Charles Herbert Mackintosh*, Lieutenant-Governor of the *North-West Territories*.

May it Please Your Honour :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories*, humbly thank Your Honour for Your gracious Speech at the opening of the Second Session of the Third Legislative Assembly.

We are gratified to learn of the satisfactory condition of the Agricultural and Stock Raising interests throughout the *Territories*, and look with hopefulness to good results from the consideration of diversified farming, the establishment of Cheese and Dairy Associations, the promised action on the part of the Agricultural Department with regard to the promotion of cold storage depots and the valuable services rendered to the *Territories* by the Dominion Dairy Commissioner.

We agree with Your Honour as to the extremely beneficial effect of the Federal Irrigation Legislation in various parts of *Alberta* and *Assiniboia*.

We share Your Honour's satisfaction at the substantial increase in the number and efficiency of our Schools.

We heartily concur with Your Honour in Your Honour's statement that there has been an unfortunate indifference to the interests of the deaf mutes of the *Territories*, but we beg most respectfully to suggest that this indifference was on

the part of the Federal authorities, and we trust that an early extension of the powers and income of the Assembly by Parliament will enable us to deal with this important matter locally.

We agree with Your Honour that the present system of Road and Bridge expenditure calls for serious consideration on the part of the Assembly and we shall be pleased to discuss any suggestions which may be made on this subject by those who are responsible for the expenditure.

We regret that the fears expressed in Your Honour's Address with reference to the damage threatened by Prairie Fires have been more than realized by the occurrence of many disastrous Fires in many parts of the *Territories*, and we gladly recognize the very efficient services rendered by the North-West Mounted Police in reducing as far as possible the damage caused by the destructive fires which sweep over different sections of the country periodically.

We are glad to learn that a long standing reproach is about to be removed by the cancellation of the Commissions of the Peace for the *Territories*.

We beg to thank Your Honour for the useful statistical information on so many important and interesting subjects mentioned in Your Honour's Speech, and for the various documents laid on the Table for our information.

We join with Your Honour in renewed expressions of attachment and loyalty to Her Majesty Queen Victoria on the occasion of her exceeding the longest reign known in our history.

And in conclusion we can assure Your Honour of our earnest attention to all matters brought under our notice.

The said Address, being read a second time, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Brown*, seconded by Mr. *Insinger*,

Resolved, That the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be engrossed and presented to His Honour by Mr. Speaker.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools

and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock p.m.

MONDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate as amended Ordinance No. 20 of 1895 respecting Statute Labour and Fire Districts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reid* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend The School Ordinance 1896.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend The Irrigation District Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend The Judicature Ordinance and the Ordinances amending the same.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to further amend The Prairie Fire Ordinance 1893.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor signed by His Honour.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as follows:

C. H. MACKINTOSH,

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly estimates of sums required for the services of the *North-West Territories* for the fiscal year ending the 31st August, 1897, and recommends these estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, *Regina*, October 19th, 1896. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That the said Message and the estimates accompanying the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Committee, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, laid on the Table the report of the Chief Inspector of Licences for the *Territories* for the year ended 30th June, 1896. (*Sessional Papers No. 13.*)

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Committee, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, laid on the Table the Reports of the Commissioner appointed to enquire into the public expenditure in the Electoral Districts of *North Qu'Appelle* and *Battleford*. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That the Reports of the Commissioner appointed to enquire into the public expenditure in the Electoral Districts of *North Qu'Appelle* and *Battleford* be referred to a Special Committee consisting of Messieurs *Reid*, *Magrath*, *Knowling*, *Bulyea* and *Ross* to consider and report upon the same.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 10) to amend The Village Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 11) respecting the use of Tobacco by Minors,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 12) to enable the Municipality of *Qu'Appelle* to disorganize,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 13) to further amend The Liquor Licence Ordinance 1891-92,

Mr. *Haultain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Ross*, and the Question being proposed,

That the Bill be now read a second time,
And a Debate arising thereupon ;
On motion of Mr. *Dill*, seconded by Mr. *Gillis*,
Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 14) to exempt certain property from distress for rent,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and
Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 15) to amend the Ordinance respecting Threshers' Liens,

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 4) to amend the law respecting the Legal Profession and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 4) be read a third time on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 5) to amend The Marriage Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 5) be read a third time on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 7) to amend The Hospitals Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4 o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The following Petitions were presented :

By Mr. *Gillis*,—Of *R. Wickham* and others praying for legislation respecting Grist Mills.

By Mr. *Dill*,—Of *W. H. Fleming* and others praying for legislation enabling those portions of Ranges 9 and 10 West of the Second Meridian, now included in the Municipality of *Wolseley*, to be withdrawn therefrom.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reid* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Bulls.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Insinger* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 24 of The Revised Ordinances 1888, intituled The Cemetery Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That to-day and hereafter during this Session, if the business of the House be not concluded at half past five o'clock, Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair to resume the same at half past seven o'clock.

Mr. *Haultain* moved, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

And the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Committee of Supply; and Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair, Mr. *Page* reported, That the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the House will at its next Sitting resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Knowling*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report:

Your Committee have examined the Petitions of *R. Wickham* and others praying for legislation respecting Grist Mills, and that of *W. H. Fleming* and others praying for legislation enabling those portions of Ranges 9 and 10 West of the Second Meridian, now included in the Municipality of *Wolseley*, to be withdrawn therefrom, and recommend that the Petitions be received.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

The said Petitions were then received.

Ordered, That the Petition of *R. Wickham* and others be referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

Ordered, That the Petition of *W. H. Fleming* and others be referred to the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

Mr. *Insinger*, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the following Report:

Your Committee have examined the various accounts of Public Revenue and Expenditure for the financial year ending 31st August, 1895, laid before them and find them satisfactory.

They wish to draw attention to the fact that a large number of scrapers, about 122, have been bought to be used in connection with relief works in certain Districts during the autumn of 1894; and they find that the larger number of them have not been returned to the Government.

They recommend that the Executive Committee persist in their efforts to recover this property, and that any scrapers

not returned before January 1st, 1897, be charged against the Electoral Districts to which they were delivered.

They also recommend that the desks and filing cabinets bought for the Territorial Exhibition be retained for the use of the Government Offices.

They recommend that steps be taken for the distribution of the flags of the Territorial Exhibition among the Schools in the Territories.

They wish to suggest a change of system in the collection of licences for billiard tables, as, from the small amount received, it seems to them that under the present system a large number of billiard tables are in use without paying licences.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dill* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 12 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance respecting Veterinary Surgeons.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 10 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Deputy Clerks and Deputy Sheriffs.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Neff* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1895, intituled The Bills of Sale Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor signed by His Honour.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as follows :

C. H. MACKINTOSH.

The Lieutenant-Governor acknowledges with thanks the Address loyally adopted by the Legislative Assembly in reply to the Speech with which His Honour opened the Session, and accepts with confidence assurances that all measures submitted to the Assembly will receive careful and full consideration.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, *Regina*, 21st October, 1896.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply ; and the Committee having continued to sit until half past five of the clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and left it to resume the same at half past seven o'clock.

7.30 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

The Committee of Supply was resumed.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair, Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Page* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read as follows :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Indemnity and Travelling Expenses of Members in connection with Legislation.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Salaries in connection with Legislation.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Audit Office in connection with Legislation.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Library of the Legislature.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Consolidation of Ordinances.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Members of the Executive Committee.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and ninety dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Salaries in connection with Executive Committee.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenses in connection with Executive Committee.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Elections.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenses in connection with the Administration of Justice and Law Examinations.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieuten-

ant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Printing and Stationery in connection with Legislative Assembly and Executive Committee.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure under The Liquor License Ordinance.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure under the Ordinance respecting Births, Marriages and Deaths.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure under The Hospitals Ordinance.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure under agreement with *Medicine Hat* General Hospital for care and maintenance of incurables.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure to assist in defraying the cost of suppressing an outbreak of Diphtheria in and around *Fort Qu'Appelle*.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and seventy dollars and twelve cents be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay the Department of Printing and Stationery for stationery supplied in 1894.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay outstanding accounts still unsettled.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for special grant to the widow and family of the late Honourable Mr. Justice *Macleod*, C.M.G.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to refund the Diocese of *St. Albert*, fee on Private Bill, 1895.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to refund to the *Calgary* General Hospital, fee on Private Bill, 1895.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for refund to *Levi Thomson, Wolselzy*, being amount of protest fees in cases of *Balfour* and *Elliott*.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and eighty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Clerical Assistance, Accountant's Branch, in connection with the Executive Committee.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Inspection of Public Works, including travelling expenses of Inspectors.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Inspection of Coal Mines, including travelling expenses of Inspector.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Clerical Assistance, Public Works Branch, in connection with The Executive Committee.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Light and Fuel.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand and eighty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for Caretakers and Messengers.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay grants to Statute Labour and Fire Districts and Municipalities.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure under The Agricultural Societies Ordinance.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for gratuity to family of late *Thomas Brown*, Clerk in charge of Public Works.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-six thousand and ninety-two dollars and forty-five cents be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure on Road and Fireguard Improvements.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand eight hundred and eight dollars and twenty-two cents be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure on the Construction and Improvement of Bridges.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure on the Construction of Dams to form Reservoirs.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure on the Expropriation of Land for Roads.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand seven hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure on Surveys.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand

eight hundred and thirty-four dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure on making Repairs to Public Works.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure on Well Boring.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure in connection with the Destruction of Wolves and Coyotes.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure in connection with the Destruction of Gophers.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and sixty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure in connection with the Destruction of Noxious Weeds.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure to complete Assistance to the Dairy Industry.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure to provide and supplement Ferry Accommodation.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand four hundred and sixty-nine dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure in connection with the Purchase of Road Making Implements.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and ten dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-

Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure to provide grants to assist in the Construction of Telephone lines.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand four hundred and sixty-seven dollars and eighty-six cents be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure to provide for payment of liabilities incurred under the vote for Roads, Bridges and Miscellaneous District Expenditure 1895-96 of which the accounts were not rendered before the end of the financial year.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to provide for Unforeseen Miscellaneous District Expenditure, 1896-97.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fourteen thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars and eighty-six cents be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay Grants to Schools.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand four hundred and forty-three dollars and thirty-three cents be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, for expenditure in connection with Inspection of Schools and Training of Teachers.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay expenses of Examinations in connection with the Council of Public Instruction.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay expenses of Printing and Stationery in connection with the Council of Public Instruction.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for the financial year ending 31st August,

1897, to pay expenses of Telegrams, Postage and Telephone in connection with the Council of Public Instruction.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay the expenses of Contingencies in connection with the Council of Public Instruction.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant-Governor for the financial year ending 31st August, 1897, to pay Salaries in connection with Council of Public Instruction.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 4) to amend Ordinance No. 9 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting the Legal Profession,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 9 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Law respecting the Legal Profession.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 5) to further amend The Marriage Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to further amend The Marriage Ordinance.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 16) to incorporate The Western Stock Growers' Association,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 18) to amend The School Ordinance 1896,

Mr. *Reid* moved, seconded by Mr. *Dill*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time,

Mr. *Haultain* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Insinger*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be struck out and the following substituted therefor: "although the House thoroughly approves of the principle enunciated in the Bill, inasmuch as it is not within the powers of this Assembly to legislate in the direction aimed at in the Bill, the Bill be not now read a Second time but that it be read a Second time this day six months."

And the Question being put upon the Amendment, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the main Question, so amended, being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 21) to further amend The Prairie Fire Ordinance 1895,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question, which was on Monday last the 19th Instant proposed, That the Bill (No. 13) to further amend The Liquor Licence Ordinance 1891-92, be now read a second time,

And the Question being again proposed,

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 13) be now read a second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 20) to amend The Judicature Ordinance and the Ordinances amending the same,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 22) to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Bulls,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 23) to amend Chapter 24 of The Revised Ordinances 1888, intituled The Cemetery Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 10.25 o'clock p.m.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

The following Petition was presented:

By Mr. *McCauley*,—Of Mrs. *C. A. R. McDonald* and others praying for legislation prohibiting the sale of Tobacco to Minors.

Mr. *Eakin*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, presented the following Report:

Your Committee have carefully examined the Bills (Nos. 6 and 8) entitled respectively The Dairy Ordinance of the *North-West Territories* and The Dairy Aid District Ordin-

ance, which were referred to them, and have embodied their views in a Bill entitled The Dairy District Ordinance, which Bill your Committee recommend to the consideration of the House.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That Mr. Dill have leave to introduce a Bill intituled The Dairy District Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. Ross, from the Select Committee appointed for the purpose of drafting a Memorial to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, setting forth the financial and constitutional position of the Assembly, the amendments which should be made to The *North-West Territories Act* to secure fuller powers and the basis upon which the subsidy should be determined, reported that the Committee had drafted a Memorial accordingly.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and its consideration made the first Order of the Day for the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. Bulyea, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *W. H. Fleming* and others praying for legislation enabling the Municipality of Wolseley to disorganize and recommend that the prayer of the Petitioners be granted.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 24) to amend Ordinance No. 12 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance respecting Veterinary Surgeons,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 25) to amend Ordinance No. 10 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Deputy Clerks and Deputy Sheriffs,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and
Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill No. 26, to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1895, intituled The Bills of Sale Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and
Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 17) to amend and consolidate as amended Ordinance No. 2 of 1895 respecting Statute Labour and Fire Districts,

Mr. Ross moved, seconded by Mr. Haultain, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill now read a second time,

Mr. Page moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Eakin,

That the Bill be not now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six months.

And the Question being put upon the amendment, it passed in the Negative.

And the main Question being again proposed, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 19) to amend The Irrigation District Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 10) to amend The Village Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 o'clock p.m.

FRIDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Knowling*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of Mrs. *C. A. R. McDonald* and others praying for legislation prohibiting the sale of Tobacco to minors and recommend that the Petition be received.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

The said Petition was then received.

Mr. *Magrath*, from the Special Committee appointed to consider and report upon the Reports of the Commissioner appointed to enquire into the public expenditure in the Electoral Districts of *North Qu'Appelle* and *Battleford*, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have enquired into certain charges made in reference to the public expenditure in the District of

Battleford and fully concur in the Report of the Commissioner which indicates that slight irregularities did occur in the management of Public works in that District.

The evidence shows that the Member took the usual precautions for safeguarding the construction of such works by the appointment of an Inspector, whose Report was relied upon.

Your Committee feel assured that these irregularities were the outcome of the old method of District expenditure, especially in a large Section of country as comprised in the *Battleford* District.

Your Committee is of opinion that the evidence completely exonerates the Member of that District from any charges preferred against him.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Mr. *Bulyea*, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *H. S. McLeod* and others praying for amendment of the Liquor Licence Ordinance reducing the amount of Licence fee payable under the Ordinance and recommend that the prayer of the said Petitioners be not granted.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bulyea*, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following Report :

Your Committee report, regarding certain amendments which they consider desirable in the Municipal Law, that they have embodied their views in a Bill, which they recommend to the consideration of the House.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend The Municipal Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. *Bulyea*, from the Special Committee appointed to consider the best means to be adopted to secure the destruction and extermination of Noxious Weeds, presented the following Report:

Your Committee report that they have embodied their views on this subject in a Bill, which they recommend to the consideration of the House.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill intituled An Ordinance to enforce the destruction of Noxious Weeds.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Insinger* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1889 intituled An Ordinance concerning Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill respecting the inspection of Steam Boilers.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That to-day and hereafter until the end of the Session, if the business of the House be not concluded at at half past five o'clock, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair until eight o'clock instead of half past seven o'clock, as previously ordered by this House.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of

the Report of the Select Committee appointed to draft a Memorial to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council setting forth the financial and constitutional position of the Assembly, the amendments which should be made to The *North-West Territories Act* to secure fuller powers and the basis upon which the subsidy should be determined,

Moved by Mr. *Ross*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

And the Question being proposed, That the Report be committed to a Committee of the Whole House,

And a Debate arising thereupon,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at half past five o'clock to resume the same at eight o'clock.

8 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

The Debate was resumed,

And the Question being again proposed, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Resolved, That the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had agreed to a Memorial.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The Memorial was then read a first time as follows :

MEMORIAL

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

The Legislative Assembly begs leave to present to Your Excellency a statement of their constitutional and financial position, and to suggest such amendments in the *North-West Territories Act* and other Acts affecting the Territories and such increase in their grant or subsidy, as will enable them to fulfil the duties they are called upon to perform for

the proper government of the North-West Territories in local matters.

They beg to remind you that at various times petitions and memorials on these and kindred subjects have been sent down to Your Excellency, or to one or more of your advisers.

They are glad to say that the Parliament of Canada has been willing partly to accede from time to time to some of their just requests, so that at present they exercise control over certain funds put at the disposal of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Territories, and have larger powers of legislation; but they find that they are not in a position to use the limited powers they do possess to the best advantage, and that their legislation on subjects coming strictly within the duties of a Territorial Assembly has not the necessary quality of security or completeness. As, besides the right of disallowance which Your Excellency in Council possesses over their legislation as well as over that of provinces, the legislation of the Assembly is also "subject to any Act of the Parliament of Canada at any time in force in the Territories." Parliament, consequently, often passes Acts diminishing the legislative powers of the Assembly over parts of subjects ostensibly reserved for their control, and at other times over-riding Ordinances passed by them and approved of by Your Excellency in Council. It is unnecessary to point out how such concurrent powers will lead to insecurity and conflict.

The Assembly is of opinion that to remedy this undesirable state of affairs it is not necessary to have recourse to the granting of a full provincial status. They believe that till the time arrives, which may be at a not distant day, when the Territories should be taken into Confederation (as one or more provinces) the passing of a few amendments to the North-West Territories Act will allow them, subject to disallowance of their Ordinances, "to exclusively make laws in relation to matters" already within their legislative jurisdiction.

They believe that such amendments should be supplemented by a few further changes. While they do not ask for some rights inherent to provinces, notably the rights to raise money on the public credit, the chartering of railways,

and the administration of justice with relation to criminal matters, they can see no good reason why other privileges of a territorial or provincial nature should be withheld from their administration. They may point out that during the last five years they have exercised most of the rights of provincial assemblies, and, in their opinion, have proven themselves equal to the task.

They further are of opinion that the time has come that their executive government should be put on a firmer basis by substituting for the Executive Committee an Executive Council.

The North-West Territories Act makes provision for a Committee of the Assembly "to advise the Lieutenant-Governor in relation to the expenditure of Territorial funds, and of such portion of any moneys appropriated by Parliament for the Territories, as the Lieutenant-Governor is authorized to expend by and with the advice of the Legislative Assembly, or of any Committee thereof." But it does not provide for any responsible body whose business it should be to advise the Lieutenant-Governor in Executive matters.

It is evident that the Assembly having the power to vote money for distinct services should have the right to control the proper carrying out of its intentions.

As in the present more developed state of the country, which has as much or more need for an intelligent and permanent administration and supervision of its resources and requirements as any other part of Canada, it is impossible for the Assembly to act as an executive council; they have been obliged to make provision in their several ordinances to entrust the duty of administering their laws to the Lieutenant-Governor, acting by and with the advice and consent of the committee, created by federal law for the purpose of advising with relation to expenditure only. They cannot, however, be sure that in taking the only possible steps within their power to meet the necessity, they have not exceeded their powers. Besides, the present machinery does not admit of development, as for instance in the direction of division into departments with responsible heads. The Executive Committee also has not the right to advise the Lieutenant-Governor in matters not contained in

the Ordinances, notably the appointment of Justices of the Peace, and the convening and dissolving of an Assembly, &c., &c. And in general, the Assembly is of opinion that for purposes of government a permanent committee of the House has no advantages over an Executive Council. The first is a creation without precedent to guide it, and lacks the well defined constitutional status which political development during a long course of time in Great Britain and her colonies has given to Executive Councils.

In view of the foregoing, the Legislative Assembly would, therefore, respectfully recommend the following amendments to be submitted to the Parliament of Canada at its next sitting :

1. Amend the section of the N. W. T. Act of 1891 (54-55 Vict.) which is substituted for sec. 13 of the N. W. T. Act, Chapter 50 R.S.C., so as to read :

“The Legislative Assembly shall exclusively have power “to make Ordinances for the government of the organised “Territories in relation to the classes of subjects next here- “inafter mentioned, that is to say.”

Note—While Parliament cannot divest itself of its paramount right of legislation in the Territories, it is desirable that it should not, as it often has done, unintentionally, perhaps, by legislation partly or wholly affecting the Territories, conflict with existing Ordinances, unless such is their distinct intention.

2. Add a clause to the N. W. T. Act giving power to the Assembly, notwithstanding anything in this Act, or any other Act of the Parliament of Canada, to repeal the “Territories Real Property Act,” so far as it applies to the organised Territories, and also to re-enact the said Act, or any part of it, or substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.

Note—Though it is within the competence of the Assembly to legislate with regard to property and civil rights and they necessarily pass Ordinances affecting real property, as among others, relating to Mechanics’ Liens, Expropriation of Lands, Tax Sales, and other official sales, the question must frequently arise in how far such Ordinances are in

harmony with the Territories Real Property Act or can be enforced with due reference thereto.

3. Repeal section 17 of the N.W.T. Act of 1894 and insert instead :

“ There shall be a Council to aid and advise in the Government of the Territories, to be styled ‘ The Executive Council of the Territories,’ and such Council shall be composed of such persons and under such designations as the Lieutenant-Governor shall from time to time think fit.”

4. Repeal sub-clause (c) of sub-section (7) of said section 13 *re* “ Insurance Companies.”

Note—There is no reason why the Assembly should not have power to incorporate insurance companies with Territorial objects, notably, hail insurance companies, stock insurance companies, etc.

5. Insert a clause in the N.W.T. Act giving to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council the power to appoint Sheriffs, Clerks of the Court, Deputy Sheriffs, and Deputy Clerks of the Court, anything contained in the Act notwithstanding.

Note—The N. W. T. Act states that the Assembly may define by Ordinance the powers, duties and obligations of Sheriffs and Clerks, and their respective Deputies (subsection 4 of section 8 of 1891) and may determine the places where such Sheriffs and Clerks shall appoint Deputies. The Assembly also prescribes the fees which are allowed these officers in civil matters which constitute nearly all their emoluments. Notwithstanding the fact that the Assembly makes provision for both the duties and the payment of these officers their appointment remains in the hands of the Federal Government.

6. Insert, subject to conditions hereinafter explained, the following sub-section :

“ The establishment, maintenance and management of hospitals, asylums, charities and eleemosynary institutions in and for the Territories;” and

Repeal Sections 103, 104 and 105 of chapter 50 R. S. C., in so far as they are inconsistent with the powers asked for.

Note—Lunatics from the Territories are sent under an agreement expiring in 1898, between the Federal authorities and the Province of Manitoba, to the asylums of the province. At present there are in such asylums 74 persons, costing one dollar per day.

The Assembly is of opinion that they could perform such service as well and more cheaply. On account of the extra distances travelled by transport to Manitoba the expenses are increased. The Assembly, however, would only desire to undertake the care of the lunatics if the federal authorities would provide the necessary buildings, and make such increase in the grant or subsidy as would pay for the maintenance of patients and staff.

As regards hospitals the Assembly do already provide as far as their insufficient means allow, for the assistance of hospitals built and kept by private charity.

7. Repeal section 21 of the N.W.T. Act of 1894 and introduce an Act respecting "Roads and Road Allowances in the North-West Territories," with similar provisions to those contained in chapter 49 R.S.C., respecting Roads and Road Allowances in Manitoba.

Note—This would do away with the uncertainties and difficulties now connected with the laying out and improving roads and acquiring roads by expropriation, and it would give to the Assembly the right to delegate such power to municipalities.

8. Add a clause giving to the Assembly the power to repeal, alter, vary or re-enact the provisions for appointment of Justices of the Peace and their qualifications.

Note—Only an Executive belonging to and being in touch with the Assembly has the facilities for judging the necessity of appointments to the commission of the Peace and the eligibility of the persons to be appointed. Section 7 of the N.W.T. Act of 1894 provides a property qualification for Justices of the Peace consisting in the ownership in fee simple of land of a certain value. In new settle-

ments where few or no patents for homesteads have been issued it is impossible to find suitable persons who can be appointed.

9. Repeal Section 16 of the N.W.T. Act of 1888 and enact a clause giving the Assembly complete control as regard to appointment, duties and salary of the Clerk of the Assembly.

FINANCES.

Regarding the financial position of the Territories the Assembly must reiterate in part their memorial of January, 1892:

"That the necessities of local government in the North-West Territories demand that instead of the annual vote by the Parliament of Canada of an indefinite sum for expenses of government, a fixed amount in the nature of a subsidy should be granted to the Territories," and "owing to the rapid increase of the population in the North-West the amount of subsidy should be fixed for a term of not more than four years."

The revenues of the Assembly are obtained from local sources and the grant from the Parliament of Canada. As regards the local revenues they are and always will be very slight as they are made up of amounts received for granting licences for such occupations as the Assembly is allowed to regulate by legislation. These revenues amounted in 1895 to about 30,000 dollars. All the assets which the Provinces (except Manitoba, which has been compensated for the lack of them), possess, are retained by the Parliament of Canada, who own and administer, with power to sell, or grant to railway companies, their public lands, their hay lands, their timber and their minerals. The Assembly, however, is expected to provide for educating the young, caring for the sick and destitute, rendering the country habitable by improving roads, bridging rivers, protecting against prairie fires, increasing the water supply, etc.

Owing to the vast area of the Territories and the widely scattered nature of the settlement, all the business of the local government is rendered more expensive proportionately to population than in any province. As regards roads this is apparent, but with respect to schools it will be found

equally true. By considering that under the most favourable circumstances less than half the area in each township is available for homesteading, and that as a rule only a small amount is taken up, it will not create surprise to see that in 1895 it took 341 schools with 401 teachers to educate 11,972 enrolled pupils, with a daily average attendance of 6,600, and that out of these schools 223 were only open during the summer months with a daily average attendance of 11.

The most cursory review of the increase of population and the very small increase during the same period of the grant from Parliament for the government of the Territories (which stands in the same position as the subsidies allowed to the provinces), will afford a convincing proof of the utter inadequacy of their resources.

In 1891 the population was 66,799, the number of schools in operation was 224 (for that year no separate amount was put at the disposal of the Assembly).

In 1892 the number of schools in operation was 237, and the parliamentary grant for government was \$208,700 (\$193,200 and \$15,500).

In 1895 the number of schools was 341, being an increase in four years of over 52 per cent.

In 1896 the population is 104,221 (10 per cent. per year added to census of 1894, being the ratio of increase between 1891 and 1894) and the grant from parliament is \$242,879 (not including \$25,000, supplementary vote to recoup the Assembly for relief expenditure undertaken for and on account of the Dominion Government), being an increase in five years in population of 56 per cent. and in annual grant during last four years of 16 per cent.

As the conditions of Government in the Territories are somewhat analagous to those in the Province of Manitoba, a comparison between the amount voted to the Territories, and the amount, calculated on the same items, on which the subsidy to Manitoba is based, would be fair and just. Such an amount would be determined on the following considerations :

1. That the population of the Territories, according to the census of 1891, was 66,799; according to the census taken by the North-West Mounted Police in 1894 it was

86,851, and that, according to that ratio of increase, viz., thirty per cent., it will be, in 1897, 112,906. That if treated on the same basis as Manitoba, according to sub-section (b) of section 5 of chapter 46 R.S.C., the per capita grant would be calculated on an approximate estimate of the population two and a half years from 1897, which, at the known rate of increase (of ten per cent. every year) would be 141,132.

2. That on capita grant, therefore, the amount would be at 80 cents a head on 141,132 the sum of \$112,905.

3. That on debt account on a presumably actual population in 1897 of 112,906, the amount would be five per cent. on \$32.44 per head, making the sum of \$183,133.

4. That a grant for the support of the Government and Legislature in Manitoba of \$50,000 is allowed, and that such a grant for the Territories should at least be as liberal, making the sum of \$50,000.

5. That as Manitoba has been held to be entitled to an indemnity for the want of public lands of \$100,000, and as the Territories have a stronger claim for compensation inasmuch as besides the land grants to railways in and for the Territories, a great part of their public lands have been given to railway companies in aid of construction, not for the benefit of the Territories, but

(a) For the general benefit of Canada, and for the special benefit of the Eastern Provinces and British Columbia.

(b) For railways constructed for and in Manitoba for which no sufficient land grant could be found within that province; and

Inasmuch as a very much larger total amount of land is retained in the Territories for the benefit of the whole Dominion of Canada than the amount of land retained in the much smaller province of Manitoba; and

As the province of Manitoba has been given all lands designated as swamp lands,

They feel they are entitled to a comparatively larger amount than was allowed to Manitoba, the exact figure of which they, however, are not prepared to estimate until such time as they enter confederation.

If treated as regards a subsidy on a similar system as Manitoba, the Assembly recognize that it would be just to

deduct from such calculated amount such sums as would defray the expenses which they, as a Territorial Government, are not called upon to pay, notably the expense of the administration of the criminal law;

On the other hand, they find that it has been the practice of Parliament to charge votes for Lieutenant-Governor's Office, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Legal Adviser, Registrars of Land Titles Offices, up to the Territories without giving them the control over such moneys. They believe that they could perform the services for which such votes were given as well and better, and that such service and votes should be put under their control. They also find that votes for services in unorganized territory (as for instance \$5,000 for schools in such unorganized territory) appear among votes for the North-West Territories increasing thereby the apparent liberality of Parliament towards them.

The Legislative Assembly believes that with the foregoing requests for legislation and for subsidy they have given good and sufficient grounds for your Excellency's advisers to recommend to the Parliament of Canada to deal in a liberal spirit with their just complaints.

The Memorial having been read a second time, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Haultain,

Resolved, That an Humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause a copy of the forgoing Memorial to be transmitted to the Secretary of State for Canada for submission to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

And then the House adjourned at eleven o'clock p.m.

MONDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Magrath*, from the Standing Committee on the Library, presented the following Report:

Your Committee has had placed before it the Report of the Librarian for the year ending 30th August, 1896, here-to attached, containing the following information as to the addition to the Library during the year, viz:

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| 1. Pamphlets donated covering various subjects principally of a statistical nature..... | 17 |
| 2. Extra copies of some of the above Pamphlets | 8 |
| 3. Statutes, Sessional Papers, etc..... | 24 |
| 4. Books purchased..... | 11 |

In order to apprise the House as to the class of books purchased, your Committee submit the list of the above mentioned 11 volumes, viz:

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| History of <i>British Columbia</i> , by <i>A. Begg</i> | 1 Vol. |
| “ <i>Canada</i> , by <i>A. Archer</i> | 1 “ |
| <i>Canada</i> under the Administration of <i>Lord Lorne</i> | 1 “ |
| <i>England and Canada</i> , by <i>Sandford Fleming</i> | 1 “ |
| <i>Moore's</i> Poetical Works | 3 “ |
| <i>Mountain and Prairie</i> , by <i>Rev. D. M. Gordon</i> | 1 “ |
| <i>Prairie Pot-pourri</i> | 1 “ |
| <i>The Witch</i> , translated by <i>W. Gompertz</i> | 1 “ |
| <i>History of Vedic India</i> | 1 “ |

The Librarian suggests the binding of the many pamphlets which have accumulated in the Library, principally regarding *North-West* subjects, with a view to insure their preservation.

Your Committee think that it might be well to defer binding until the selection becomes more complete, and the fullest information obtained on the various subjects under classified heads. In the meantime, however, files which your Committee understand are now specially made for pamphlet use, might be adopted.

Your Committee have been informed that several volumes of the Debates of the Dominion Parliament are wanting, especially those of the earlier years of Confederation. Your Committee cannot too strongly urge that immediate steps be taken to have the Library supplied with a full set of Federal Hansard.

The Librarian suggests the purchase of certain Reference works and appends a list of Books that have been enquired for by patrons of the Library.

Your Committee would recommend that the limited means appropriated for the purposes of the Library be only employed in securing books and magazines on Political, Historical and Economical subjects.

Your Committee suggests that in future no books be lent without applicants being endorsed by a Member of this House, who will be called upon to make good the loan in case of books not returned.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Ordered, That Mr. *Knowling* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend The Game Ordinance.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fearon* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting Hides.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Ordinance No. 10 of 1893 intituled An Ordinance respecting infectious diseases of Animals.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dill* have leave to introduce a Bill to disorganize the Municipality of *Wolseley*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill for granting to the Lieutenant-Governor certain sums of money to defray the expenses of the Public Service of the Territories for the twelve months ending August thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and for completing the expenses of the Public Service for the twelve months ended August thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and for other purposes relating thereto.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to further amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1892 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinance to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the *North-West Territories*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 27) intituled The Dairy District Ordinance,

Mr. *Dill* moved, seconded by Mr. *Eakin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time, the House divided and the names, being called for, were taken down as follows:

YEAS :—Messieurs INSINGER,

PAGE,

BROWN,

KNOWLING,

BANNERMAN,

BRETT,
McCAULEY,
BULYEA,
GILLIS,
DILL,
EAKIN—11.

NAYS :—Messieurs MITCHELL,
NEFF,
HAULTAIN,
ROSS,
MOWAT,
TIMS,
MALONEY,
SIMPSON,
CLINKSKILL,
FEARON,
CRITCHLEY,
REID,
MEYERS.—13.

So it passed in the negative.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 28) to amend The Municipal Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 29) to enforce the destruction of Noxious Weeds,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 31) respecting the inspection of steam boilers,

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 11) respecting the use of Tobacco by Minors and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 12) to enable the Municipality of *Wolseley* to disorganise and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 14) to exempt certain property from distress for Rent and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 14) be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to exempt certain property from distress for Rent.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 7) to amend The Hospitals Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 7) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend The Hospitals Ordinance.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 2) respecting Factors and Agents and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 2) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

On motion of Mr. *Magrath*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

Resolved, That the House takes the liberty to draw the attention of the Federal Government to the imperative necessity for immediate construction of the Crows Nest Railway;

That unless this is done the trade of the *Kootenay* District may be permanently deflected into American channels.

That the *Crow's Nest Pass* contains large areas of bituminous and cannel coals of a coking quality;

That with these valuable coals the erection of Smelters and Refineries may be expected to follow;

That the existence of this Railway will at least permit these Territories to compete with *Eastern Washington* in the supply of the necessarily large amount of food products required in the Mining regions of *South Eastern British Columbia*;

That the construction of Railways in these Territories having been heretofore carried on without due regard to vested interests of existing Towns, the Assembly trusts that in considering this important subject the Federal Government will be pleased to see that the Town Sites of *Lethbridge* and *Macleod* be not overlooked, provided the construction of the Railway in question through these Towns in no way interferes with the general purposes which make its construction a necessity.

On motion of Mr. *Magrath*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

Resolved, That an Humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause a copy of the foregoing Resolution to be transmitted to the Secretary of State for *Canada* for submission to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 2) respecting Factors and Agents,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled **An Ordinance** respecting Factors and Agents.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 36) for granting to the Lieutenant-Governor certain sums of money to defray the expenses of the Public Service of the *Territories* for the twelve months ending August thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and for completing the expenses of the Public Service for the twelve months ended August thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and for other purposes relating thereto,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 36) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled **An**

Ordinance for granting to the Lieutenant-Governor certain sums of money to defray the expenses of the Public Service of the *Territories* for the twelve months ending August thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and for completing the expenses of the Public Service for the twelve months ended August thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and for other purposes relating thereto.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 32) to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1893 intituled The Game Ordinance,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 33) to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting Hides,

The said bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 34) to repeal Ordinance No. 10 of 1893 respecting Infectious Diseases of Animals,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 35) to disorganise the Municipality of *Wolsley*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 37) to further amend Ordinance No. 6 of

1892 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the *North-West Territories*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and
Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 12) to enable the Municipality of *Qu'Appelle* to disorganise and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 35) to disorganise the Municipality of *Wolseley* and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) respecting the Sale of Goods and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 3) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance respecting Sale of Goods.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 16) to incorporate The Western Stock Growers' Association and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Pag* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 16) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to incorporate The Western Stock Growers' Association.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 21) to further amend The Prairie Fire Ordinance 1893, and, the Committee having continued to sit until half-past five of the clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair and left it to resume the same at eight o'clock.

8 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. *Sutherland*, Member for the Electoral District of *North Qu'Appelle*, from his place in the House, declared his wish to vacate his seat as Member for the said District.

The Committee on Bill (No. 21) was resumed and, Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair, Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 21) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 13) to further amend The Liquor Licence Ordinance 1891-92, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 20) to amend The Judicature Ordinance and the Ordinances amending the same and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 22) to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Bulls and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 23) to amend Chapter 24 of The Revised Ordinances 1888, intituled The Cemetery Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 24) to amend Ordinance No. 12 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance respecting Veterinary Surgeons and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 24) be now read a third time.
The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 12 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance respecting Veterinary Surgeons.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 25) to amend Ordinance No. 10 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Deputy Clerks and Deputy Sheriffs and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 25) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 26) to amend The Bills of Sale Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 10.30 o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

Mr. *Magrath*, from the Special Committee appointed to enquire into the public expenditure in the Electoral Districts of *North Qu'Appelle* and *Battleford*, presented the following Report :

Your Committee beg to say that the Report of the Commissioner in reference to public expenditure in the Electoral District of *North Qu'Appelle* is in accordance with the facts as set forth in the evidence.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 21) to further amend The Prairie Fire Ordinance 1893,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to further amend The Prairie Fire Ordinance 1893.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 25) to amend Ordinance No. 10 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Deputy Clerks and Deputy Sheriffs,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 10 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Deputy Clerks and Deputy Sheriffs.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 30) to further amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1889, intituled An Ordinance concerning Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 11 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 38) be now read a second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 17) to amend and consolidate as amended Ordinance No. 20 of 1895, respecting Statute Labour and Fire Districts and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the present Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 19) to amend The Irrigation District Ordinance and, the Committee having continued to sit until half-past five o'clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and left it, to resume the same at eight o'clock.

8 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

The Committee on Bill (No. 19) was resumed and, Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair, Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the House in Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 28) to amend The Municipal Ordinance,

And the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, it was moved in amendment by Mr. *Brett*, seconded by Mr. *Reid*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out and the following words added instead thereof: "this House do now adjourn."

And the Question being put upon the amendment; and a Debate arising thereupon: The said amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill (No. 28).

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 34) to repeal Ordinance No. 10 of 1893, intituled An Ordinance respecting Infectious Diseases of Animals and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 34) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 10 of 1893, intituled An Ordinance respecting Infectious Diseases of Animals.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 37) to further amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1892, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the *North-West Territories* and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 37) be now read a third time.
The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to further amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1892, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the *North-West Territories*.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 38) to amend Ordinance No. 11 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 38) be now read a third time.
The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 11 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until to-morrow morning at half-past ten o'clock, and, if the business of the House be not concluded at half-past twelve o'clock, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair until half-past two o'clock.

And then the House adjourned at 10.20 o'clock p.m.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1896.

10.30 o'clock a.m.

Journals read and approved.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 29) to enforce the destruction of Noxious Weeds and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 29) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance respecting Weed Districts.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 11) respecting the use of Tabacco by Minors and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 11) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance respecting the use of Tobacco by Minors.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools and, the Committee having continued to sit until half past twelve o'clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and left it, to resume the same at half past two o'clock.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

The Committee on Bill (No. 1) was resumed and, Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair, Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 1) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as follows :

C. H. MACKINTOSH.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I deem proper that an error in the Journals of the First Session of the Third Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories* should be corrected.

On Page 114, referring to An Ordinance respecting Masters and Servants and An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools, the Journals, in each case, record: "His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth withhold his assent to this Bill."

By referring to the official correspondence in connection with the Ordinance respecting Schools, it will be found that my Despatch to the Secretary of State at *Ottawa*, dated 24th October, 1895, contains the following: "The passing of this Bill by the Assembly took place on the last day of the Session and almost immediately before the prorogation of the Legislature, and as I consequently had no opportunity of examining its provisions, I reserved my assent thereto."

Furthermore, at a later date, I pointed out to the authorities at *Ottawa* my reasons for reserving assent to the Ordinance, the ground being that, under Section 4, 54-55 Vic., Cap. 22, An Act to amend the Acts respecting the *North-West Territories*, the power of the Lieutenant-

Governor of the *North-West Territories* was limited to approval or reservation, the right to withhold assent being beyond his jurisdiction. The Report of the Committee of the Honourable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General on the 11th March, 1896, contained the following: The Minister of Justice agrees with the Lieutenant-Governor in the view that he could not constitutionally withhold assent."

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 32) to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1893, intituled The Game Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 32) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1893, intituled The Game Ordinance.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 33) to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting Hides and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 33) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting Hides.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 35) to disorganise

the Municipality of *Wolseley* and, the Committee having continued to sit until half-past five o'clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair and left it to resume the same at eight o'clock.

8 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

The Committee on the Bill (No. 35) was resumed and, Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair, Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 35) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to disorganise the Municipalities of *Wolseley* and *Qu'Appelle*.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 13) to further amend The Liquor Licence Ordinance 1891-92 and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 13) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to further amend The Liquor Licence Ordinance 1891-92.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 20) to amend The Judicature Ordinance and the Ordinances amending the same and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker

resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 20) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend The Judicature Ordinance and the Ordinances amending the same.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 22) to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Bulls and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 22) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1895 intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Bulls.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 23) to amend Chapter 24 of The Revised Ordinances 1888, intituled The Cemetery Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 23) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 24 of The Revised Ordinances 1888, intituled The Cemetery Ordinance.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Com-

mittee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 26) to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1895 intituled The Bills of Sale Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 26) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1895 intituled The Bills of Sale Ordinance.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 30) to further amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1889 intituled An Ordinance concerning Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 30) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1889, intituled An Ordinance concerning Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 17) to amend and consolidate as amended The Statute Labour and Fire District Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 17) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An

Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Statute Labour and Fire District Ordinance.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 19) to amend The Irrigation District Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Resolved, That the Bill (No. 19) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend The Irrigation District Ordinance.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 28) to amend The Municipal Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 28) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend The Municipal Ordinance.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 10) to amend The Village Ordinance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Page* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 10) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 17 of 1895 intituled The Village Ordinance.

And then the House adjourned at 10.45 o'clock p.m.

FRIDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1896.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journals read and approved.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Resolved, That the Journals of this House for Monday the 30th day of September, 1895, be amended by expunging the words "His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth withhold his assent" where they occur therein, and by inserting instead thereof the words "His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth reserve."

3 o'clock p.m.

His Honour the Honourable *Charles Herbert Mackintosh* the Lieutenant-Governor of the *North-West Territories*, being seated upon the Throne,

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly read the titles of the Bills to be assented to as follows:

An Ordinance to further amend The *North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888*.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 9 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting the Legal Profession.

An Ordinance to further amend The Marriage Ordinance.

An Ordinance to exempt certain property from distress for rent.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 18 of 1892, intituled The Hospitals Ordinance.

An Ordinance respecting Factors and Agents.

An Ordinance respecting the Sale of Goods.

An Ordinance to incorporate The Western Stock Growers' Association.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 12 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance respecting Veterinary Surgeons.

An Ordinance to further amend The Prairie Fire Ordinance 1893.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 10 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Deputy Clerks and Deputy Sheriffs.

An Ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 10 of 1893, intituled An Ordinance respecting Infectious Diseases of Animals.

An Ordinance to further amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1892, intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinance to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the *North-West Territories*.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 11 of 1895, intituled An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly.

An Ordinance respecting Weed Districts.

An Ordinance respecting the use of Tobacco by Minors.

An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Schools.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1893, intituled The Game Ordinance.

An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the law respecting Hides.

An Ordinance to disorganise the Municipalities of *Wolseley* and *Qu'Appelle*.

An Ordinance to further amend The Liquor License Ordinance 1891-92.

An Ordinance to further amend the Judicature Ordinance and the Ordinances amending the same.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1895, in-

intituled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended the Ordinances respecting Bulls.

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 24 of The Revised Ordinances 1888, intituled The Cemetery Ordinance.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1895, intituled The Bills of Sale Ordinance.

An Ordinance to further amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1889, intituled An Ordinance concerning Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels.

An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended The Statute Labour and Fire District Ordinance.

An Ordinance to amend The Irrigation District Ordinance.

An Ordinance to amend The Municipal Ordinance.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 17 of 1895, intituled The Village Ordinance.

The assent to these Bills was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :

“His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills.”

Mr. Speaker then said :

May it Please Your Honour :

The Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories*, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned loyalty and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled An Ordinance for granting to the Lieutenant-Governor certain sums of money to defray the expenses of the public service of the *Territories* for the twelve months ending August thirty-first one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and for completing the expenses of the Public Services for the twelve months ended August thirty-first one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and for other purposes relating thereto, thus placing at the disposal of the Lieutenant-Governor the means by which the Government can be made efficient for the service and welfare of the *Territories*.

The assent to this Bill was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :

“His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank the “Legislative Assembly, accepts their benevolence, and as-“sents to this Bill.”

His Honour then delivered the following Speech :

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

In bringing to a close the Second Session of the Third Legislative Assembly of the *Canadian North-West Territories*, I congratulate you upon the industry and zeal which have marked your proceedings.

I venture to hope that, in returning to the people you represent, they will collectively be found enjoying a greater degree of prosperity than has been vouchsafed this portion of the Dominion for many years.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly then said :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued and the Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

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